



Many of my students have expressed a desire to play along with the songs at home. They can; by purchasing a recorder book with a CD accompaniment. The CDs include the accompaniment for each song in the books below. The following books have different styles of recorder songs with really “cool” accompaniments. Students may choose to play along with a complete performance (includes the recorder) or they may choose to be the soloist with only the accompaniment accompanying them. The first five books below only use the B, A, and G notes on the recorder. These notes are easily played by 2nd through 5th graders.

**The following books may be ordered from *Plank Road Publishing*
call 1-800-437-0832:**

1. **The Adventures of BAG ROGERS**—by John Riggio; has 7 songs including *BAGs In Space*, *StarBAG's Café*, *HyperBAG*, *BAGeroid Field*, *In The Nick Of BAG*, *Paper or Plastic?* & *Getting' BAGgy With It*; uses B, A, and G notes only; Book and CD @ \$24.95
2. **Bagapalooza**-- by John Riggio; has 6 songs including *It's in the BAG*, *Dr. BAG*, *Get Your Own Bag*(long & short version), *BAGpipe*, *Not My BAG*, *BAG 101* (long & short version); uses B, A, and G notes only; Book and CD @ \$24.95
3. **Introducing B-A-G**—by Don Muro; has 6 easy pieces using only the B, A, and G notes; good for 2nd through 5th grades; Book with CD @ \$14.95
4. **M.C. Handel's Bagstravaganza**—has 6 great and fun songs using only B, A, & G; the songs include: *BAG-O-Saurus*, *Popcorn BAG*, *BAGzilla*, *JitterBAG*, *A BAG O' Tigers*, and *Rockin' Around The Hound Dog's Blue Suede Shoe BAG*; Book and CD @ \$24.95
5. **Christmas is in the Bag**—has 6 well know Christmas songs using only B, A, & G; Book and CD @ \$24.95
6. **Three Note Fun Pack**—has 8 songs; uses only B, A, & G notes; Book and CD @ \$15.95
7. **Recorder Jam**—by Norm Sands; has 7 songs; using B, A, G, C, D, and E; great for 4th and 5th graders; Book and CD @ \$24.95
8. **Virtual Recorders**—by M.C. Handel; has 5 songs; using B, A, G, C, D, and E; great for 4th and 5th graders; Book and CD @ \$24.95
9. **Easy Eight**—by Don Muro; 8 songs; the first song starts with the note B, each selection adds one new note at a time, ending with the eight notes of the D scale; good for 4th and 5th graders; synthesizer accompaniments present appealing rhythms and many different moods; Book and CD @ \$16.95
10. **Eight "More Easy 8" Songs**—by Don Muro; 8 songs; the first song starts with the note B, each selection adds one new note at a time, ending with the eight notes of the D scale; good for 4th and 5th graders; synthesizer accompaniments present appealing rhythms and many different moods; Book and CD @ \$16.95

March 29, 2010

Recorder Information

Dear Parent,

To all 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders, it's time to reach into our closets, under our beds, ask our older brothers and sisters and find the recorder from last year and bring it in. As part of this year's music curriculum, your child will be learning to play the recorder. The recorder presents a wonderful opportunity to introduce music reading and appreciation. This unit also uses the basic music theory and skills your child has been learning every year in his/her general music classes. I hope that by giving the students a positive, enjoyable learning experience they will be encouraged to develop an interest in music.

If your child does not have access to or own a recorder, and would like to purchase one, please fill out the form below. The recorders I am offering cost \$2.00. This one-piece soprano recorder comes with a carrying bag and fingering chart.

Many students like to purchase 2 recorders, one for home practice and one to stay at school. This may be an option many of you may wish to choose.

If any student does not own a recorder, I will lend them one for class use. I have a sterilol germicide that is specifically used to clean and disinfect recorders.

We perform most of our recorder music with a band or an orchestral accompaniment on CD. It is so much fun for the kids and adults as well. On the reverse side of this form is a list of recorder books, with a tape/CD included, you may wish to purchase. The company you may order them from is also included. The local music stores will not have these available unless you specifically order them. These would make great gifts for the entire family.

Please cut off and have your child return the order form and check/cash to me **(in a sealed envelope)** by **Friday, April 9th if a recorder is needed. I will only be making one order this year so do not turn it in late.**

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Sing-cereely,

Mr. John W. Russell
General Music/Choral Instructor
Hilda J. Barbour Elementary



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RECORDER ORDER FORM

Yes, I wish to order a recorder. **Enclosed in an envelope** is my completed form and cash or check (**made payable to Hilda J. Barbour Elementary School**).

Please give to Mr. Russell before or by **Friday, April 9, 2010**.

Late forms will not be accepted.

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>UNIT PRICE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
_____	Soprano Recorder	@ \$2.00 each	= \$____.

Student:_____. Grade_____. Teacher_____.

Parent Signature:_____. Phone_____.

